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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Matthew C. Mattina et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	3940
Serial No.:	09/924,934	§	Group Art Unit:	2126
Filed:	08/08/2001	§	Examiner:	Charles E. Anya
For:	Mechanism For Handling Load Lock/Store Conditional Primitives In Directory-Based Distributed Shared Memory Multiprocessors	§	Docket No.:	200302133-1

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 15, 2004**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: March 15, 2005

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.